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## **Tenet Hospitals Awarded 205 CIGNA HealthCare Quality Designations**

**DALLAS – October 18, 2010** – Tenet Healthcare Corporation (NYSE: THC) today announced that 43 of its 49 hospitals received 205 quality designations from CIGNA (NYSE: CI), including 71 Center of Excellence (COE) designations.

CIGNA uses its COE designations to recognize hospitals for meeting CIGNA HealthCare's high standards for quality and cost efficiency for procedures and diagnosis. In addition, CIGNA has developed quality designations to indicate superior patient outcomes based on treatment effectiveness for 29 different surgical procedures and medical conditions. The patient outcomes data use hospitals' Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Hospital Compare measures, Leapfrog Patient Safety Measures, mortality and complication rates in addition to other evidence-based protocol metrics.

"We are very proud that so many of our hospitals earned quality designations," said Kelvin A. Baggett, M.D., Tenet's chief medical officer. "Through our ongoing commitment to providing high-quality patient care, 88 percent of our hospitals have received a CIGNA quality designation this year."

"CIGNA applauds the efforts of Tenet to continue to improve health care delivery and patient outcomes," said Richard Salmon, M.D., national medical director for CIGNA. "Tenet's commitment to quality is clearly recognized in the hundreds of designations they've received from us."

Tenet hospitals receiving quality and COE designations for 2010 are:

*\*Indicates CIGNA HealthCare Center of Excellence designation*

### **Alabama:**

- **Brookwood Medical Center**, Birmingham – Coronary Artery Bypass Graft (CABG)\*, Heart Failure, Spinal Fusion\*, Stroke, Total Hip Replacement and Total Knee Replacement

### **California:**

- **Desert Regional Medical Center**, Palm Springs – Angioplasty\*, CABG, Cardiac Catheterization, Heart Attack, Laparoscopic Gallbladder Removal, Total Abdominal Hysterectomy, Total Hip Replacement\* and Total Knee Replacement\*

- **Doctors Medical Center**, Modesto – Laparoscopic Gallbladder Removal, Total Abdominal Hysterectomy and Vaginal Delivery
- **Fountain Valley Regional Medical Center**, Fountain Valley – Adult Pneumonia, Bariatric Surgery, Caesarean Section\*, Colon Surgery, Gastric Bypass, Heart Attack, Heart Failure, Stroke, Total Hip Replacement\*, Total Abdominal Hysterectomy and Vaginal Delivery
- **Lakewood Regional Medical Center**, Lakewood – Angioplasty\*, CABG \*, Heart Failure, Stroke and Total Hip Replacement\*
- **Los Alamitos Medical Center**, Los Alamitos – Adult Pneumonia, Caesarean Section\*, Stroke, Total Abdominal Hysterectomy and Vaginal Delivery\*
- **Placentia-Linda Hospital**, Placentia – Laparoscopic Gallbladder Removal, Total Hip Replacement\* and Total Knee Replacement\*
- **San Ramon Regional Medical Center**, San Ramon – Caesarean Section, Colon Surgery and Vaginal Delivery
- **Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center**, San Luis Obispo – Adult Craniotomy, Spinal Fusion\* and Total Hip Replacement
- **Twin Cities Community Hospital**, Templeton – Caesarean Section\*, Laparoscopic Gallbladder Removal, Total Knee Replacement\* and Vaginal Delivery

**Florida:**

- **Coral Gables Hospital**, Coral Gables – Heart Attack, Laparoscopic Gallbladder Removal, Total Abdominal Hysterectomy, Total Hip Replacement and Total Knee Replacement
- **Delray Medical Center**, Delray Beach – Adult Pneumonia, Angioplasty, CABG, Cardiac Catheterization, Cardiac Pacemaker Implant, Disc Surgery, GI Hemorrhage, Head and Neck Endarterectomy, Heart Attack, Heart Failure, Irregular Heartbeat, Laparoscopic Gallbladder Removal, Spinal Fusion, Stroke, Total Hip Replacement and Total Knee Replacement
- **Good Samaritan Medical Center**, West Palm Beach – Adult Pneumonia, Caesarean Section, Disc Surgery\*, Heart Attack and Heart Failure\*
- **Hialeah Hospital**, Hialeah – Bariatric Surgery\*, Caesarean Section, Gastric Bypass\*, Heart Attack, Heart Failure, Laparoscopic Gallbladder Removal, Stroke, Total Abdominal Hysterectomy and Vaginal Delivery
- **North Shore Medical Center**, Miami – Adult Pneumonia, Caesarean Section, Heart Attack, Heart Failure, Laparoscopic Gallbladder Removal, Stroke and Vaginal Delivery
- **North Shore Medical Center – FMC Campus**, Lauderdale Lakes – Adult Pneumonia, Laparoscopic Gallbladder Removal, Stroke and Total Hip Replacement

- **Palm Beach Gardens Medical Center**, Palm Beach Gardens – Adult Pneumonia, Angioplasty\*, CABG\*, Cardiac Catheterization\*, Cardiac Pacemaker Implant\*, Head and Neck Endarterectomy, Heart Attack\*, Heart Failure\*, Heart Valve Replacement\*, Irregular Heartbeat\*, Laparoscopic Gallbladder Removal, Stroke\*, Total Hip Replacement and Total Knee Replacement
- **Palmetto General Hospital**, Hialeah – Angioplasty, Bariatric Surgery, CABG, Caesarean Section, Cardiac Catheterization, Cardiac Pacemaker Implant, Colon Surgery, Gastric Bypass, Laparoscopic Gallbladder Removal, Total Abdominal Hysterectomy, Total Hip Replacement, Total Knee Replacement and Vaginal Delivery
- **St. Mary's Medical Center**, West Palm Beach – Caesarean Section, Heart Attack, Laparoscopic Gallbladder Removal and Spinal Fusion
- **West Boca Medical Center**, West Boca Raton – Adult Pneumonia\*, Caesarean Section, Heart Attack\*, Heart Failure\*, Laparoscopic Gallbladder Removal, Stroke\* and Vaginal Delivery

#### **Georgia:**

- **Atlanta Medical Center**, Atlanta – Bariatric Surgery\* and Gastric Bypass\*
- **North Fulton Hospital**, Roswell – Adult Pneumonia and Total Knee Replacement
- **South Fulton Medical Center**, East Point – Heart Failure
- **Spalding Regional Medical Center**, Griffin – Heart Failure, Stroke and Total Knee Replacement

#### **Missouri:**

- **Des Peres Hospital**, St. Louis – Angioplasty\*, CABG\*, Heart Attack, Spinal Fusion\*, Total Hip Replacement and Total Knee Replacement
- **Saint Louis University Hospital**, St. Louis – Heart Attack and Heart Failure

#### **Nebraska**

- **Creighton University Medical Center**, Omaha – Angioplasty and Heart Failure

#### **North Carolina:**

- **Central Carolina Hospital**, Sanford – Heart Failure
- **Frye Regional Medical Center**, Hickory – Bariatric Surgery, CABG\*, Gastric Bypass, Head and Neck Endarterectomy\*, Stroke\* and Vaginal Delivery\*

#### **Pennsylvania:**

- **Hahnemann University Hospital**, Philadelphia – Colon Surgery, Heart Failure, Laparoscopic Gallbladder Removal, Stroke and Total Knee Replacement

#### **South Carolina:**

- **East Cooper Medical Center**, Mount Pleasant – Disc Surgery\* and Spinal Fusion\*
- **Piedmont Medical Center**, Rock Hill – Stroke

**Tennessee:**

- **Saint Francis Hospital-Bartlett**, Bartlett – Total Knee Replacement\*
- **Saint Francis Hospital-Memphis**, Memphis – Angioplasty\*, CABG\*, Cardiac Pacemaker Implant\*, Head and Neck Endarterectomy\* and Stroke

**Texas:**

- **Centennial Medical Center**, Frisco – Vaginal Delivery\*
- **Cypress Fairbanks Medical Center**, Houston – Total Abdominal Hysterectomy\* and Vaginal Delivery
- **Doctors Hospital at White Rock Lake**, Dallas – Angioplasty\*, CABG\* and Vaginal Delivery
- **Houston Northwest Medical Center**, Houston – Adult Pneumonia, Angioplasty\*, CABG\*, Cardiac Catheterization, Heart Attack, Heart Failure and Vaginal Delivery
- **Lake Pointe Medical Center**, Rowlett – Laparoscopic Gallbladder Removal\* and Vaginal Delivery\*
- **Nacogdoches Medical Center**, Nacogdoches – Angioplasty\*, Spinal Fusion\* and Total Abdominal Hysterectomy\*
- **Park Plaza Hospital**, Houston – Caesarean Section\*, Total Abdominal Hysterectomy\*, Total Knee Replacement\* and Vaginal Delivery
- **Providence Memorial Hospital**, El Paso – Bariatric Surgery\*, Caesarean Section\*, Disc Surgery\*, Gastric Bypass\* and Stroke
- **Sierra Medical Center**, El Paso – CABG\*, Caesarean Section\* and Vaginal Delivery

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